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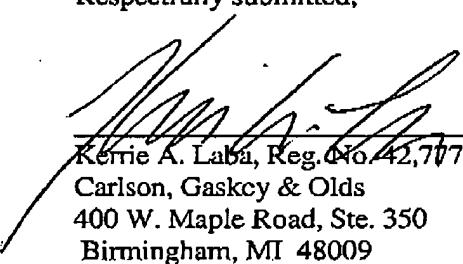
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals the final rejection of October 5, 2004. Fees for the Notice of Appeal were paid with the filing of the first Notice of Appeal on November 25, 2003. Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

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